



MIDWEST ELONGATED COLLECTORS  
NEWSLETTER  
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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 3, 1972

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - By Rudolph Skaritka at 8:15 PM.

MINUTES - Of the May 19, 1972 meeting were read by Betty Kirby and approved by the members present.

TREASURERS REPORT - Burt Levy stated the treasury contained \$ 86.71.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - Were given by: Charles Mueller - MEC MUSEUM

James E. Hicks - PUBLICITY

NEW BUSINESS - Leonard Krug pointed out that the elongated coins donated to the MEC MUSEUM should be considered articles to be held by a trustee. Mr. Mueller then relinquished his chairmanship in favor of Mr. Singer who was appointed club TRUSTEE.

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A motion was made by Mr. Levy that lifetime honorary memberships be given to 'Coin World' & 'Numismatic News'. The motion was seconded and passed.

NOMINATIONS - Were made for the following offices for the year of 1973.

President Burton Neal Levy  
Vice Pres. Henry W. Blaha  
Secretary James E. Hicks  
Treasurer Lynne Levy

Directors:  
Leonard A. Krug  
Charles Mueller  
David J. Singer

Betty Kirby was appointed as chairman of the ballot committee. Ballots will be mailed with the newsletter.

SPEAKER - Mr. Blaha gave a very interesting and informative talk. He used visual aids to demonstrate the process which he uses to produce elongated coins.

DOOR PRIZES - Were donated by: Mr. Mueller, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Blaha, and Cee Ceven Elongates.

PERIODICALS - Coin World and Numismatic News samples were distributed.

REFRESHMENTS - Were served compliments of Betty Kirby and Lynne Levy.

OUT OF TOWN MEMBERS - Who attended were; Milton Heitman and Bion Birkett. Mrs. Birkett also attended as a guest.

AJOURNMENT - 10:40 PM.

NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

ISSUE:

ARTICLE & AD DEADLINE

JAN-FEB-MAR.....FEBRUARY 1st  
APR-MAY-JUNE.....MAY 1st  
JULY-AUG-SEPT.....AUGUST 1st  
OCT-NOV-DEC.....NOVEMBER 1st

ADVERTISING RATES:

FREE:

$\frac{1}{4}$  PAGE - \$ 1.50  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  PAGE - 2.50  
1 PAGE - 5.00

A 35 WORD AD IN THE  
"TRADING SECTION".

SINGER'S ELONGATED COLUMN  
DAVID J. SINGER

**MAKE SOMEONE HAPPY...**

Alberta Wagaman (Lloyd's Mrs.) collects Lincoln objects. Got something you don't need - send it to her...Got an unlisted, send a "rubbing" to Bob Callander, P.O. Box 71, Nappanec, Ind. 46550. This way you'll be helping the history of elongates...Communicate. Write to a member of M.E.C. and send an elongated duplicate. Betc'ha get one back in return mail. Try it and see...When trading always mention M.E.C.

**ABOUT OUR MEMBERS...**

Youngest M.E.C. member is Ian J. Levy, son of Burton & Lynne Levy. Upon birth Jack Stuckart signed Ian up. Ian will be one year old on January 26th!...Henry Blaha gave a lecture to a coin club in Skokie, Ill. last month, told them all about the making of elongates...Rudolph Skaritka tells us there are a couple of elongaters who would be "picked up" should they enter New York. They didn't get official permission to create their roll-outs...One M.E.C. member believes there are many many thousands of valuable elongates in the U.S. that are momentos of fairs in their "catch all junk boxes and with their coin collections", and they refuse to part with them. Once these collectors pass away the heirs will probably sell them...Bob Luehtman's "Photo Elongated" is causing quite a stir! It's the topic of conversation among collectors. They're all trying to figure out how it was done. Look for more of the same with improvements. Perhaps in colors?...Dottie Dow was born in Cicero, Ill. She lived in Florida at one time, and was in the Service.

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A QUESTION BOX ???

In the last issue of the MEC NEWSLETTER, the regular feature titled "QUESTION BOX" had four questions that I hoped would be answered in this issue. As of this date only one question was answered. I'm sure that among our members there are a few who do know these answers but for some apparent reason they do not care to divulge the information. I will make an attempt to answer these questions, and if I am wrong, I hope someone with more knowledge can correct the answers. - Rudolph Skaritka

Q - #1. Who was the roller of the "Montreal Expo '67", with the initials BX?

A - J. Hanna Brown & Xnos

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Q - #2. How many different elongateds have been produced since 1893?

A - Five thousand.

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Q - #3. Can a U.S. gold coin, any date be used as an elongated coin?

A - The U.S. Treasury would frown upon this and might confiscate the coin.

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Q - #4. Can any foreign coins be used for an elongated?

A - Most of the countries in the world do not want their coins to be used in this way. Countries associated with Great Britain forbid it.

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Here's a question from Jack "The Mailman" Wilcox.

Q - How many present day Rollers are using old "antique" rolling machines?

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AN OPEN LETTER TO  
MIDWEST ELONGATED COLLECTORS

... I would like to inform MEC that I am no longer working on the book, "The Modern Elongated". I feel that after over 40 months and 70% of the manuscript completed, I just could not continue to tolerate the long delays in inquiries and lack of full support from some of the major rollers. -- Having devoted thousands of hours in preparation for the work and at the sacrifice of having less friends in elongateds than when I first began, in what I felt to be a very important project, I have decided that my efforts in an encyclopedic work in elongateds be abandoned. There were far more less interested in support of the work and for the few interested subscribers, it was not worth it.

Yours truly,

A.A. Rosato

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WHAT DO THOSE INITIALS MEAN?

DA - Donald P. Adams	RWJ - Ralph W. Jobe
HWB - Henry W. Blaha	RJ - Ralph Jones
JB - J. Hanna Brown	RWL - R.W. Luchtman
BX - J. Hanna Brown & Xnos	N&RM - Norman & Ruth MacQuithy
C7 - Cee Ceven Elongates	CM - C.J. Meccarello
DC - Danny Crabb	JM - Jack Meccariello
DD - Dottie Dow	EA - Elmer Anderson
MM - Mary Eggleston	JR - Jerry Rathburn
BG - Brownie Gill	CMR - Chester M. Rogers
EG - Eric Goodwin	AR - A.A. Rosato
DS - Donald Sabo	BCS - Bruce C. Sumner
LCS - Claude L. Thomas Jr.	LW - Lloyd E. Waganan
P - Michael R. Pender	MFT - Marie F. Trinny
JGS - John G. Spadone	LHT - Trump
DESCO - David E. Stoicheff	GK - George Kesterson
LEM - Lem Martin	

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CHANGE IN BY-LAWS

Please make the following changes of the by-laws in the copy which you now possess.

- ARTICLE VII Sec. 3 A QUORUM FOR A GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OR A SPECIAL MEETING SHALL BE EIGHT MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING, VOTING BY SIMPLE MAJORITY.
- ARTICLE VII Sec. 4 A QUORUM FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE BY-LAWS SHALL BE EIGHT MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING, VOTING BY SIMPLE MAJORITY.

These articles were voted upon at the second meeting held this year.

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# Spirit of '76

NEW United States Bicentennial IRISH COFFEE CUP SERIES

P. O. BOX 173

• CHAUVIN, LOUISIANA 70344



Announcing...

## Collectors Series of UNITED STATES BICENTENNIAL IRISH COFFEE CUPS

Dear Friend:

To celebrate the coming of the United States Bicentennial in 1976, we are issuing a most unusual collectors series of six different, historically designed IRISH COFFEE CUPS... each to be released annually, the first cup in 1971, and continued yearly until the year 1976 our bicentennial year. The six cups would be a complete set, each with a different commemorative design depicted on each cup, illustrating great events in consecutive continuity from our country's past.

Eventually this set of Bicentennial Irish Coffee Cups will be coveted "collectors' Items" and would make a valuable keepsake to pass on to heirs, or given as a gift. Made from fireproof china and each stands 6" high. Each cup will be priced at \$5.50 which would include prepaid transportation charges. The cups for the years 1971 and 1972 are available already. The 1971 Cup depicts a commemorative design entitled "Betsy Ross". The 1972 Cup is entitled "The Star Spangled Banner". All designs are copyrighted.

May I suggest that you complete and post the subscription order form quickly together with your remittance for the first two cups?

Don Adams  
Spirit of 76

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Enclosed \$5.50 for 1971 CUP.

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"BUT IT'S ELONGATED"  
BURTON NEAL LEVY

I recently came across an elongated coin which the average collector may think was a great buy at the five dollar price it was offered, but it really wasn't. The coin I'm referring to is an 1891 elongated nickel elongated by a rolling machine with blank rollers. (In other words no engraving appeared on the coin.)

What significance does this particular coin have elongatedly? In my personal opinion none! A lot of collectors assume an elongated coin was rolled in the same year as the coinage used, but this is not necessarily true. In this case a roller selected this denomination from 1891 and rolled it for a lark.

So who would want this coin in this condition? Perhaps an individual who wants a conversation piece. Although for the price he paid he'd surely have to do a lot of conversing. If one would need the 1891 nickel for his regular coin collection it would be a lot cheaper being circular.

There lies an 1891 elongated nickel in a showcase. Someday - perhaps even now, an unfortunate uneducated individual in this field is buying it. I hope the roller who rolled it will cease his escapade of confusing the inexperienced and in some cases the experienced collector.

Has anyone come across any similar experiences?

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***Skaritka President  
Of Elongated Club***

Rudolph Skaritka is president of the Midwest Elongated Collectors, Chicago, Ill., with Henry Blaha, vice president; Betty Kirby, secretary; Burton Neal Levy, treasurer, and James E. Hicks and David J. Singer as members of the board.

Blaha was speaker at a recent meeting in the Tangiers Motel, 4944 South Archer, when nominations were taken for the coming election.

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FREE ELONGATED COIN

The attached elongated coin was donated and produced by Ralph W. Jobe, member #9. Many thanks Ralph from your fellow club members.

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TRADE SECTION

I need the following in Lloyd Wagaman's Statehood series; IL, IN, IA, KS, MO, NB, WA, WY. What do you need? J. Hicks, 2001 Rand Rd., Des Plaines, Ill. 60016

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Everyone is entitled to a free 35 word ad each issue. Wouldn't you like to participate?

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# G Cee Ceven ELONGATES



E-101  
MERRY CHRISTMAS MANGER



E-102  
GLORY AND PEACE



E-103  
HOLIDAY LANTERN



E-104  
HO HO HO SANTA



E-105  
SILENT NIGHT



E-106  
CHRISTMAS BLESSING



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E-108  
PARTRIDGE



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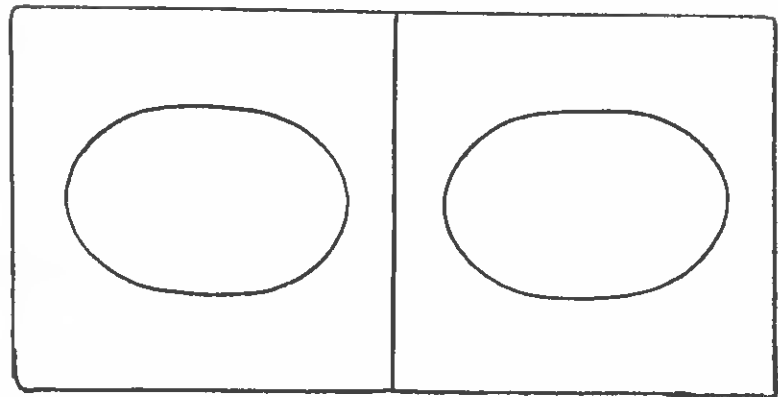
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BURTON NEAL LEVY  
P.O. BOX 3082  
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## GOODBY 1972 GOODBY

With the year drawing to a close, we feel that the year has passed much too fast. Looking back thru the months we see many joys and many sorrows. Take our issues E-33-34-35-36, THE SEALS OF THE PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, TREASURY AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE U.S. Yes, it was a sorrowful day when we received the letter from the counsel to the president to inform us that we could not sell these four elongateds. We were in hopes that they would fall under the classification for historical value, but according to Mr. John W. Dean III, counsel to the president, quote "Executive order 11649 does not provide for the usage of the seals in the manner you desire". "I regret that we cannot be of assistance to you in this matter". "We trust, of course, that you will take all steps necessary to be in compliance with the terms of the executive order". Therefore, with regrets, we took them off our list, and destroyed the dies.

On the happier side, we were most pleased with all of the issues we came out with in the year 1972. We are especially proud of our Christmas issues. My favorite - "Joy's of Christmas", takes me back to my childhood and I am sure everyone can find some part of it that will bring back years gone by. We would like to wish everyone a HAPPY THANKSGIVING, A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

BETTY KIRBY - C7 ELONGATEDS

Great News!



**NEW  
ELONGATED**

**FIRST DAY ISSUE COVERS**  
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FIRST ISSUE:  
"FAMILY PLANNING"

*family planning*



Family Planning



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FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

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Issue Date: March 18, 1972  
First Day City: New York, NY  
Designer: Charles Reid  
Engravers: Joseph S. Creemer, Jr. (vignette)  
Kenneth C. Wren (lettering)  
Press: Giori and offset  
Size: 0.84 x 1.44 inches  
Stamps to Pane: 50

NEW STAMP ISSUE  
INFORMATION

## Family Planning Commemorative Stamp

This stamp follows the policy of issuing stamps to focus attention on areas of major concern to this nation and other nations of the world.

It will serve as a reminder to all members of society of the current world environmental situation and the need for planning to have a better America and a better world.

**DON ADAMS COMPANIES  
DEPT. 173  
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& MAIL  
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